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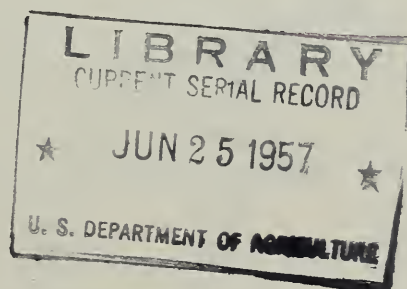
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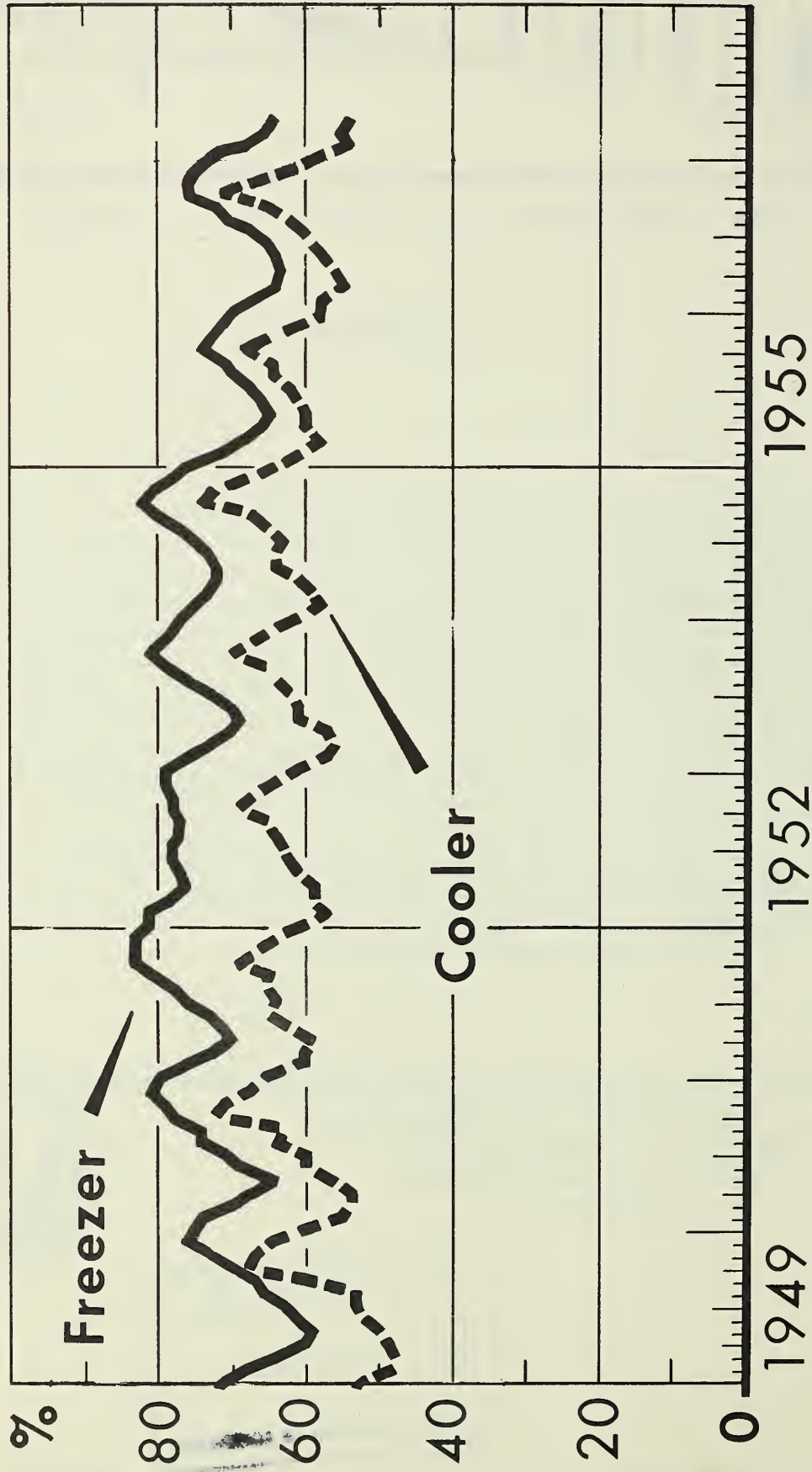
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PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY

COLD STORAGE REPORT

Analysis of holdings and space April 30, 1957

Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All April 30 figures are preliminary.⁷

Commodity summary

Refrigerated holdings of food were above the 1952-56 average on April 30 for all food categories, except fresh apples, butter, frozen eggs and red meats according to warehouse reports received by the Crop Reporting Board. Frozen fruit holdings on April 30 amounted to 286 million pounds, 39 percent greater than average while frozen vegetable holdings were 61 percent greater with 650 million pounds in storage. This time last year, 256 million pounds of frozen fruits and 424 million pounds of frozen vegetables were in storage. Orange concentrate holdings were increased during April but in an amount less than average and the increase of a year earlier. The one-half million gallon gain compares with the average gain of 4 million and a 2 million increase reported during April 1956. However, current stocks at 36 million gallons were one-third larger than average and 23 percent greater than stocks of a year earlier. April 30 holdings of cream totaled almost 12 million pounds, about equal to the stocks of a year earlier but 27 percent higher than average for this date. The advent of the butter storage season brought a sharp rise in holdings, about 21 million pounds, which raised warehouse stocks to 62 million pounds. This seasonal increase is in contrast to an 11 million pound reduction this time last year and compares with the average April increase of only 4 million pounds. Little change was reported in warehouse stocks of American cheese. By the end of April, stocks totaled 346 million pounds, the same as the month previous but compare with 427 million this time last year and average holdings of 345 million pounds. Shell egg stocks at 1.2 million cases were 9 percent above the April 30 average and almost double the stocks of a year earlier. On the other hand, frozen egg holdings at 106 million pounds were 6 percent under average but 12 percent above the stocks of a year earlier. A strong downturn in frozen poultry holdings, 42 million pounds, left 218 million in storage on April 30. This compares with 133 million this month last year and average holdings of 156 million pounds. The seasonal reduction was 10 million pounds greater than average and 20 million pounds greater than a year earlier. Red meat holdings fell sharply to 591 million pounds. The 40 million pound seasonal decline was about three-fourths larger than average and almost 3 times greater than the April 1956 reduction. Current stocks compare with 786 million on April 30, 1956 and 836 million, the 1952-56 average.

Storage occupancy

Public cooler and freezer occupancy by April 30 were still on a decline. Cooler occupancy at 54 percent was 1 point below a month ago and 5 points below the 5-year average for this date. By regions, cooler occupancy was below last month in the Middle Atlantic, West North Central, South Atlantic, and Pacific. The West South Central region remained unchanged but occupancy in all other regions increased. The continued downturn in cooler occupancy is contrary to expectations when comparing previous April changes, averaging a 2-point increase. Freezer occupancy stood at 64 percent on April 30. This was a decrease of 2 points from the previous month and 5 points below average. Freezer occupancy declined in each region except the West North Central which remained unchanged from a month earlier. The decline in cooler and freezer occupancy is expected to be halted by May 31.

General commodity movement

Weights of food in both cooler and freezer space declined during April. Cooler-held products totaled 1.5 billion pounds, a decline of 187 million from a month earlier while freezer items totaled 2.5 billion pounds which was 76 million pounds less than the previous month's total. The decline in cooler weights occurred

primarily in holdings of fresh fruits and vegetables and cured pork which more than offset seasonal increases in stocks of other cooler stored items. Stock reductions in frozen fruits, vegetables, poultry and meats were more than sufficient to counter stock gains in cream, butter, eggs, and juices, thus resulting in the overall reduction in freezer stocks.

Fruits, vegetables, and juices

Holdings of fresh apples at 3 million bushels were only about half as large on April 30, as compared to a month earlier while pear stocks, at 156,000 boxes, compare with 601,000 boxes on March 31. Frozen fruit stock reductions during April were heavier this year than in 1956 and also greater than average. A 55 million pound reduction (the average reduction is 43 million) left 286 million pounds of frozen fruits in storage. This time last year 256 million pounds were on hand while the April 30 average is 206 million. All fruit items showed stock declines during April but the largest reduction, 34 million pounds, was reported in strawberry holdings. On April 30, strawberry stocks totaled 101 million pounds, about 55 percent more than the holdings of a year earlier but 100 percent greater than average for this date. Stock declines in other fruit items ranged from little or no change to 6 million pounds. In almost all instances, stocks of individual fruit items were above average for this date except for blueberries, cherries, and raspberries. April increases in stocks of asparagus, french fried potatoes, and spinach could not offset declines in holdings of other frozen vegetable items. The net reduction of 15 million pounds compares with a 26 million pound reduction in 1956 and the average April decline of 34 million pounds. Holdings of french fries and spinach were up sharply from a month earlier--13 and 30 million pounds, respectively. Holdings of french fries totaled 81 million pounds and spinach, 63 million pounds. Stock reductions for the remaining vegetable items ranged in amounts varying from 1 million (mixed vegetables) to 23 million (peas). The latter, at 115 million pounds, compares with 44 million this time last year and 60 million, which is the average for April 30. The start of the 1957 pack season showed little change in orange concentrate holdings with stocks increasing only by one-half million gallons. The usual April increase is 4 million gallons while a year earlier, 2 million gallons were added during the month. Current stocks totaled 36 million gallons which compare with 30 million a year earlier and 27 million, the 1952-56 average.

Dairy and poultry products

Cream, butter, and cheese holdings were increased by April 30. Cream stocks at 12 million pounds were 5 million pounds greater than a month earlier but about equal to holdings of a year ago. Stocks of butter, at 62 million pounds, were up 21 million pounds from a month earlier. The April increase in butter stocks was 5 times greater than average. Cheese stocks at 391 million pounds were about 1 percent greater than a month earlier and the net change was one-fifth that of average. Stocks of shell eggs, totaling 1,205,000 cases on April 30, were the largest quantity in storage since July 1956. The net gain in shell eggs was 273,000 cases; last year's stocks increased by 329,000 cases; the average gain is 470,000 cases. Frozen egg stocks, up 28 million pounds from a month earlier, were increased by an amount less than last year and average. Poultry stocks, down 42 million pounds from a month earlier, totaled 218 million pounds. The net decrease in stocks during April was 20 million pounds greater than a year earlier and 10 million pounds more than average. The significant declines were in hen and turkey stocks--down 16 and 21 percent, respectively, from a month earlier.

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Table 1. --Net changes in storage holdings during April (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings April 30, 1957	April net change		Freezer commodities	Holdings April 30, 1957	April net change	
		Quantity	Pct.			Quantity	Pct.
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	Pct.		1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	Pct.
Apples.....	155,712	- 186,432	54	Cream.....	11,758	5,149	78
Pears.....	7,750	- 21,900	74	Butter, creamery	62,201	21,286	52
Other fresh fruits	5,750	867	18	Eggs.....	106,319	27,883	36
Fresh vegetables..	71,815	- 12,863	15	Poultry.....	218,072	- 41,903	16
Dried & Evap. fts.	42,295	1,780	4	Fruits.....	286,487	- 55,033	16
Nutmeats.....	184,433	17,474	10	Juices.....	504,603	12,316	3
Nuts in shell.....	76,141	2,966	4	Vegetables.....	650,164	- 15,190	2
Other dairy prod..	14,881	8,032	-	Beef.....	143,338	- 24,487	15
Cheese.....	391,198	2,567	1	Pork.....	274,761	- 628	.2
Shell eggs.....	54,225	12,285	29	Other meats.....	20,494	- 2,173	10
Dried eggs.....	3,912	500	15	Miscellaneous...	267,985	- 3,565	1
Beef.....	11,883	61	1				
Pork.....	64,476	- 13,049	17				
Canned meats.....	75,852	325	.4				
Miscellaneous.....	374,663	742	.2				
Total.....	1,534,986	- 186,645	11	Total.....	2,546,182	- 76,345	3

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the tables that follow.

Table 2. --End-of-month apple holdings, by States

State	April 1952-56 av.	April 1956	March 1957	April 1957
	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut	79	119	246	91
New York.....	451	580	1,262	476
New Jersey.....	122	109	136	75
Pennsylvania.....	65	80	149	62
Ohio.....	60	64	78	61
Illinois.....	115	43	93	52
Michigan.....	93	63	484	218
Missouri.....	23	10	26	16
Kansas.....	6	6	4	-
Virginia.....	197	101	496	218
West Virginia.....	22	30	49	6
Washington.....	1,666	2,229	3,262	1,405
Oregon.....	47	7	38	8
California.....	414	335	702	498
Other States.....	124	94	103	58
U. S. Total.....	3,484	3,863	7,128	3,244

Table 3. — End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Decreased by 4 million bushels; April 1956 decrease was 4 million bushels; average April decrease was 3 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by 438 thousand bushels; April 1956 decrease was 232 thousand bushels; average April decrease was 163 thousand bushels.

Commodity	Unit	April 1952-56 av.	April 1956	March 1957	April 1957
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Apples, fresh:					
Western (1)	Standard boxes	2,243	2,557	3,720	1,855
Western	Other containers	50	121	353	113
Eastern	Bushel baskets	465	367	754	343
Eastern	Other containers	726	818	2,301	933
Total	Bushel	3,484	3,863	7,128	3,244
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts	Boxes, baskets, etc.	4	1	2	1
Bartletts	L. A. lugs	(2)	1	-	-
Other varieties	Boxes, baskets, etc.	84	116	578	153
Other varieties	L. A. lugs	(2)	13	21	2
Total	Boxes, baskets, etc.	(3) 90	131	601	156
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes	Pound	(4)	87	1,888	36
Other fresh fruits	do.	6,352	5,519	2,995	5,714
Dried & evaporated fruits	do.	40,702	37,791	40,515	42,295
Onions	do.	11,307	9,103	20,236	8,566
Celery	do.	563	431	405	264
Other fresh vegetables	do.	63,595	42,080	64,037	62,985
Nut meats, peanuts	do.	63,903	136,102	128,357	138,570
Nut meats, other nuts	do.	37,429	49,424	38,602	45,863
Peanuts, in shell	do.	3,930	9,055	3,918	5,775
Other nuts, in shell	do.	49,574	53,136	69,257	70,366

(1) Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho and Nevada.

(2) Not reported separately prior to January 31, 1956.

(3) In terms of bushels.

(4) Data not available. Stocks included with other fresh fruits.

Table 4. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 55 million pounds; April 1956 decrease was 44 million pounds; average April decrease was 43 million pounds.

Frozen Vegetables: Decreased by 15 million pounds; April 1956 decrease was 26 million pounds; average April decrease was 34 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Increased by .5 million gallons; April 1956 increase was 2 million gallons; average April increase was 4 million gallons.

Commodity	April 1952-56 av. 1,000 pounds	April 1956 1,000 pounds	March 1957 1,000 pounds	April 1957 1,000 pounds
Fruits, frozen:				
Apples	29,563	42,826	52,067	51,029
Apricots	3,435	6,782	3,926	3,677
Blackberries	6,656	6,123	10,159	7,775
Blueberries	12,451	12,426	9,746	8,595
Cherries	28,399	33,075	27,530	21,750
Grapes	8,095	9,566	18,283	15,966
Peaches	19,305	25,493	28,850	24,593
Plums and Prunes	6,194	7,397	7,318	7,443
Raspberries	15,640	16,816	11,236	9,771
Strawberries	48,819	64,995	134,120	100,917
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	6,087	8,347	10,649	8,674
All other fruits	21,511	22,183	27,636	26,297
Total	206,155	256,029	341,520	286,487
Juices, frozen:				
Orange juice	270,358	293,213	355,285	360,377
Gallons equivalent (1)	27,309	29,617	35,887	36,402
Other fruit juices and purees	106,958	141,754	137,002	144,226
Vegetables, frozen:				
Asparagus	8,066	11,439	13,938	19,232
Beans, lima	54,456	55,701	77,381	69,322
Beans, snap	35,011	38,245	49,174	41,150
Broccoli	33,252	31,231	50,364	45,058
Brussels sprouts	15,060	12,229	23,926	21,393
Cauliflower	13,228	13,806	27,821	24,622
Corn, sweet	33,369	31,275	50,975	43,462
Mixed vegetables	(2)	12,281	22,266	21,263
Peas, green	59,839	44,314	138,360	115,075
Peas and carrots, mixed	(2)	5,596	14,350	12,072
Potatoes, french fried	(2)	39,557	68,185	80,720
Spinach	45,263	48,731	32,972	62,765
All other vegetables	106,219	79,749	95,642	94,030
Total	403,763	424,154	665,354	650,164

(1) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

(2) Data not available.

Table 5. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons:

Cream: Increased by 5 million pounds; April 1956 increase was 5 million pounds; average April increase was 4 million pounds.

Butter: Increased by 21 million pounds; April 1956 change was a decrease of 11 million pounds; average April change was an increase of 4 million pounds.

Cheese: Increased by 3 million pounds; April 1956 change was a decrease of 4 million pounds; average April change was an increase of 15 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Increased by 273 thousand cases; April 1956 increase was 329 thousand cases; average April increase was 470 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Increased by 28 million pounds; April 1956 increase was 33 million pounds; average April increase was 36 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Decreased by 42 million pounds; April 1956 decrease was 22 million pounds; average April decrease was 32 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	April 1952-56 av. Thou.	April 1956 Thou.	March 1957 Thou.	April 1957 Thou.
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream	Pound	7,812	9,821	6,036	9,832
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat)	do.	1,459	2,438	573	1,926
Condensed milk (bulk)	do.	7,848	8,740	5,110	7,460
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods)	do.	8,854	5,830	1,739	7,421
Butter, creamery	do.	181,213	76,882	40,915	62,201
Cheese:					
American Cheddar	do.	345,271	426,887	346,277	345,770
Swiss, including block	do.	8,930	7,058	10,809	11,076
All other varieties	do.	19,026	22,334	31,545	34,352
Total cheese	do.	373,227	456,279	388,631	391,198
Eggs:					
Shell	Case	1,110	638	932	1,205
Frozen eggs, total	Pound	113,410	94,569	78,436	106,319
Whites	do.	34,211	25,111	26,445	33,476
Yolks	do.	27,539	28,814	17,234	22,747
Whole or mixed	do.	46,502	35,376	30,453	44,788
Unclassified	do.	5,158	5,268	4,304	5,308
Dried eggs (egg solids)	do.	5,125	3,380	3,412	3,912
Total eggs (1)	Case	4,558	3,425	3,304	4,351
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers or fryers	Pound	18,455	21,514	16,978	16,449
Roasters	do.	6,692	4,891	7,742	7,250
Hens, fowls	do.	33,220	28,374	57,031	48,150
Turkeys	do.	68,793	49,149	136,903	108,021
Ducks	do.	3,287	3,063	2,954	2,973
Miscellaneous	do.	7,732	6,529	11,225	9,257
Unclassified	do.	17,909	19,292	27,142	25,972
Total poultry	do.	156,088	132,812	259,975	218,072

(1) Case equivalent. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10.2 pounds to the case.

Table 6. — End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States
April 30, 1957

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid 1,000 pounds	Plastic 1,000 pounds					
Massachusetts	2		1,076	2,215	11	1,417	7,231
Other States			222	424	1	1,197	3,575
New England			1,298	2,639	12	2,614	10,806
New York	5,958	444	3,091	50,938	45	7,088	20,533
New Jersey	380		2,672	2,825	41	3,776	9,574
Pennsylvania	1,465	561	1,506	8,264	13	3,739	20,407
Middle Atlantic			7,269	62,027	99	14,603	50,514
Ohio	378		920	7,351	7	3,199	5,369
Indiana			209	2,315	1	2,611	1,226
Illinois	1		17,852	27,483	651	17,969	26,804
Michigan	420		136	10,160	7	1,317	4,105
Wisconsin	282		1,315	153,066		538	1,534
East North Central			20,432	200,375	666	25,634	39,038
Minnesota		330	21,682	7,779	55	2,401	9,028
Iowa			3,636	2,523	17	8,281	2,264
Missouri	34	90	695	24,016	33	21,068	9,178
Dakotas			180	111		372	303
Nebraska	72		822	32	99	3,874	8,687
Kansas			694	3,614	72	3,942	2,054
West North Central			27,709	38,075	276	39,938	31,514
South Atlantic			1,638	6,403	27	4,842	20,321
Kentucky			424	6,275	6	1,427	1,721
Tennessee			163	10,478	8	2,442	1,682
Ala. and Mississippi			118	157	3	82	813
East South Central			705	16,910	17	3,951	4,216
Arkansas and Louisiana			144	2,634	9	1,294	2,731
Oklahoma			77	1,818	4	1,950	1,130
Texas	24	5	514	2,171	12	4,315	7,472
West South Central			735	6,623	25	7,559	11,333
Colorado			269	329	7	363	2,365
Other States			800	1,304	8	541	4,797
Mountain			1,069	1,633	15	904	7,162
Washington			136	231	8	919	3,187
Oregon			247	4,759	1	223	3,679
California	316	3	963	6,095	59	5,132	36,302
Pacific			1,346	11,085	68	6,274	43,168
Other States	500	493					
United States	9,832	1,926	62,201	345,770	1,205	106,319	218,072

Table 7. —End-of month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons:

Beef: Decreased by 24 million pounds; April 1956 decrease was 17 million pounds; average April decrease was 17 million pounds.

Pork: Decreased by 14 million pounds; April 1956 decrease was 4 million pounds; average April decrease was 7 million pounds.

Other meats: Decreased by 2 million pounds; April 1956 change was an increase of 6 million pounds; average April increase was 1 million pounds.

COMMODITY	April 1952-56 av. 1,000 pounds	April 1956 1,000 pounds	March 1957 1,000 pounds	April 1957 1,000 pounds
Beef:				
Frozen	173,325	163,734	167,825	143,338
In cure and cured	8,443	8,010	11,822	11,883
Total	181,768	171,744	179,647	155,221
Pork, frozen:				
Picnics	(1)	(1)	15,913	14,760
Hams	(1)	(1)	59,778	57,999
Bellies	(1)	(1)	93,532	95,531
Other frozen pork cuts	(1)	(1)	106,166	106,471
Total	444,262	427,163	275,389	274,761
Pork in cure or cured:				
Dry salt bellies	(1)	(1)	13,773	13,946
Other dry salt pork	(1)	(1)	9,600	8,268
Other pork cuts	(1)	(1)	54,152	42,262
Total	122,208	83,067	77,525	64,476
Total pork	566,470	510,230	352,914	339,237
Other meats and meat products:				
Veal, frozen	14,047	16,241	14,567	13,322
Lamb and mutton, frozen	11,622	8,976	8,100	7,172
Canned meats in cooler	61,992	79,124	75,527	75,852
Total all meats	835,899	786,315	630,755	590,804
Hides and pelts	66,091	59,693	98,294	94,439

(1) Not reported separately prior to 1957.

Table 8. --End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

Species	April 1956	March 1957	April 1957
Frozen fish:	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>	<u>1,000 lb.</u>
Bait & animal food (salt & fresh-water).....	9,569	9,895	11,801
Salt-water:			
Filletts and steaks:			
Blocks and slabs.....	9,824	3,637	3,733
Cod.....	7,441	7,957	8,110
Flounder.....	3,527	2,210	3,854
Haddock.....	11,832	7,916	8,209
Halibut.....	1,672	2,170	2,060
Ocean perch.....	8,795	10,862	9,481
Pollock.....	946	1,534	1,153
Salmon.....	231	487	496
Whiting (incl. split "butterfly").....	747	644	607
Other filletts and steaks.....	3,454	3,767	3,440
Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked all species).....	6,495	3,729	4,065
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Halibut.....	1,846	7,080	4,343
Mackerel (except Spanish).....	939	961	726
Sablefish.....	1,316	2,020	2,095
Salmon:			
King or chinook.....	673	2,929	2,302
Silver or coho.....	612	2,203	1,551
Fall or chum.....	141	652	422
Unclassified.....	467	836	815
Smelt.....	850	669	653
Swordfish.....	1,378	1,957	1,888
Tuna.....	92	301	248
Whiting, headed and gutted.....	6,074	1,723	2,417
Other salt-water fish (except bait)...	11,787	10,353	10,160
Fresh-water:			
Filletts and steaks.....	220	1,022	825
Round, dressed, etc.:			
Chubs.....	503	279	176
Trout.....	927	914	878
Whitefish.....	1,424	1,673	1,311
Other fresh-water fish (except bait)..	2,996	2,380	2,470
Frozen shellfish:			
Crabs (Incl. crab meat).....	2,088	2,674	2,821
Lobster tails (spiny).....	3,690	4,945	4,373
Oysters.....	722	1,010	1,054
Scallops.....	1,502	1,968	1,767
Shrimp, raw and headless.....	11,018	10,034	9,021
all other.....	5,019	5,279	5,000
Squid.....	234	821	638
Other shellfish.....	1,690	2,903	3,017
Total frozen fish and shellfish.....	122,741	122,414	117,980
Cured fish.....	14,713	11,318	11,448
Total all fish and shellfish.....	137,454	133,732	129,428

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.

Table 9. --Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses,
March 31, 1957

Cooler commodities	Net Weight	Freezer commodities	Net weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples.....	43,104	Cream.....	4,885
Pears.....	14,700	Butter, creamery.....	37,290
Other fresh fruits.....	3,074	Eggs.....	70,944
Fresh vegetables.....	74,434	Poultry.....	232,655
Dried & Evap. fruits.....	39,200		
Nutmeats.....	103,198	Fruits.....	259,755
Nuts in shell.....	55,533	Juices.....	223,921
Other dairy products.....	6,567		
Cheese.....	264,699	Vegetables.....	461,879
Shell eggs.....	35,145		
Dried eggs.....	2,626	Beef.....	127,244
Beef.....	999	Pork.....	162,813
Pork.....	2,684	Other meats.....	14,055
Canned meats.....	44,053		
Fish.....	9,620	Fish.....	101,992
Miscellaneous.....	166,340	Miscellaneous.....	102,348
Total.....	865,976	Total.....	1,799,781

Table 10. --End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the
Government (1)

Commodity	Unit	April 1952-56 av.	April 1956	March 1957	April 1957 (2)
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery.....	lb.	155,098	42,729	24,951	36,889
American Cheddar cheese.....	do.	191,762	234,964	160,001	137,120
Pork.....	do.	19,411	12,320	7,943	4,958
Beef.....	do.	24,874	4,817	11,946	9,611

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

TABLE 11. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, April 30, 1957

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Fruits, frozen:											
Apples	Pound	2,472	15,449	12,650	2,367	12,180	1,171	608	142	3,990	51,029
Apricots	do.	33	380	635	220	172	169	194	27	1,847	3,777
Blackberries	do.	61	767	627	1,812	433	1,079	401	16	2,579	7,775
Blueberries	do.	1,910	2,531	2,166	518	476	315	194	25	520	8,595
Cherries	do.	239	6,652	6,092	2,498	1,156	806	572	1,272	2,463	21,750
Grapes	do.	2	6,102	9,014	112	42	246	300	9	139	15,966
Peaches	do.	284	4,165	3,626	2,537	4,144	840	1,275	387	7,335	24,593
Plums and prunes	do.	35	1,818	2,885	377	194	257	152	118	1,667	7,443
Raspberries	do.	513	2,990	2,172	979	336	435	206	142	1,998	9,771
Strawberries	do.	3,707	20,104	14,302	13,665	5,760	5,391	3,685	1,213	33,090	100,917
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	do.	112	1,035	1,285	335	125	207	217	173	5,185	8,674
All other fruits	do.	2,224	4,248	6,046	2,075	1,552	725	1,214	598	7,615	26,297
Total	do.	11,592	66,241	61,500	27,495	26,510	11,641	8,958	4,122	68,428	286,487
Juices, frozen:											
Orange juice (1)	do.	3,184	13,340	10,679	5,946	289,255	1,049	6,345	1,948	28,631	360,377
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	3,390	30,155	16,300	8,694	55,837	1,282	3,131	1,232	24,205	144,226
Vegetables, frozen:											
Asparagus	do.	364	3,481	1,317	1,291	1,926	329	554	220	9,750	19,232
Beans, lima	do.	623	14,526	4,560	6,412	10,663	2,066	1,101	2,698	26,673	69,322
Beans, snap	do.	798	15,688	2,552	2,481	3,491	1,064	759	188	14,129	41,150
Broccoli	do.	578	9,612	2,379	2,624	4,354	977	943	351	23,240	45,058
Brussels sprouts	do.	247	3,274	1,074	3,095	925	503	703	451	11,121	21,393
Cauliflower	do.	260	5,570	1,359	2,127	1,976	501	711	240	11,878	24,622
Corn, sweet	do.	472	8,540	3,718	9,086	2,228	636	938	1,105	16,739	43,462
Mixed vegetables	do.	155	3,697	1,941	3,252	2,015	280	544	180	9,199	21,263
Peas, green	do.	8,242	17,109	7,759	18,803	5,631	982	1,606	4,869	50,074	115,075
Peas and carrots, mixed	do.	74	2,593	578	1,956	558	112	249	523	5,429	12,072
Potatoes, french fried	do.	16,391	6,048	4,965	27,783	2,701	998	770	9,755	11,309	80,720
Spinach	do.	768	9,544	3,661	3,715	5,270	2,530	2,024	516	34,737	62,765
All other vegetables	do.	1,665	15,791	11,834	10,411	15,110	5,043	2,518	1,232	30,426	94,030
Total	do.	30,637	115,473	47,697	93,036	56,848	16,021	13,420	22,328	254,704	650,164
Fruits, vegetables and nuts:											
Fresh grapes	do.	159	28	8	20	229	619	96	1	382	36
Other fresh fruits	do.	1,313	3,590	618	825	1,280	235	1,122	22	6,655	5,714
Dried and evaporated fruits	do.	7,279	23,039	7,804	41	21	19	327	29	1,794	42,295
Onions	do.	123	4,174	2,190	22	1	1	1	4,182	264	8,566
Celery	do.	7,279	12,274	5,468	3,165	1,115	1,398	1,057	27,047	29	62,985
Other fresh vegetables	do.	2,562	1,140	3,272	164	112,425	4,442	14,223	342	19,324	138,570
Peanut meats	do.	779	6,431	5,503	2,904	3,096	596	7,180	50	19,324	45,863
Other nut meats	do.	442	208	252	67	5,088	2	134	10	14	5,775
Peanuts, in shell	do.	96	2,930	4,448	11,484	18,959	1,258	13,565	23	17,257	70,366
Other nuts, in shell	do.	96	613	339	20	226	13	25	1	1,911	3,244
Fresh apples	Bushel	96	613	339	20	226	13	25	1	1,911	3,244
Fresh pears	Boxes(2)	5	5	5	5	1	2	2	143	156	156

(1) Concentrated and single strength.

(2) Standard boxes, bushel baskets, lugs, etc.

Continued

TABLE 11.-- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions April 30, 1957

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Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Dairy products and eggs:											
Cream (not including plastic)	Pound	67	7,803	1,081	106	52	153	56	84	430	9,832
Cream, plastic	do.	330	1,005		420	160	3	5		3	1,926
Butter, creamery	do.	1,298	7,269	20,432	27,709	1,638	705	735	1,069	1,346	62,201
Cheese, American Cheddar	do.	2,639	62,027	200,375	38,075	6,403	16,910	6,623	1,633	11,085	345,770
Cheese, Swiss including block	do.	14	882	6,361	2,873	12	1	8	801	124	11,076
Cheese, all other varieties	do.	514	11,471	17,340	2,567	551	297	782	191	639	34,352
Eggs, shell	Case	12	99	666	276	27	17	25	15	68	1,205
Eggs, frozen	Pound	2,614	14,603	25,634	39,938	4,842	3,951	7,559	904	6,274	106,319
Eggs, dried (egg solids)	do.	21	199	607	2,942	99		23		21	3,912
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers or fryers	do.	527	2,958	1,967	1,621	3,606	531	2,010	477	2,752	16,449
Roasters	do.	1,430	2,889	754	388	455	2	156	70	1,106	7,250
Hens, fowls	do.	2,973	11,081	12,551	11,989	1,311	339	1,090	801	6,015	48,150
Turkeys	do.	4,576	18,436	18,089	14,062	8,349	2,227	7,093	4,910	30,279	108,021
Ducks	do.	64	1,261	923	112	302	29	60	50	172	2,973
Miscellaneous	do.	824	3,042	2,461	1,704	331	154	105	12	624	9,257
Unclassified	do.	412	10,847	2,293	1,638	5,967	934	819	842	2,220	25,972
Total	do.	10,806	50,514	39,038	31,514	20,321	4,216	11,333	7,162	43,168	218,072
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen	do.	14,568	22,816	40,302	26,624	5,377	3,874	12,118	2,182	15,477	143,338
Beef, in cure or cured	do.	21	2,318	2,429	3,188	1,176	352	140	721	1,538	11,883
Pork, frozen:											
Picnics	do.	122	458	5,756	5,972	583	425	654	259	531	14,760
Hams	do.	2,328	4,035	19,480	21,455	3,272	1,762	2,871	614	2,182	57,999
Bellies	do.	2,194	3,528	28,907	46,327	4,812	4,973	1,260	482	3,048	95,531
Other frozen pork cuts	do.	2,829	12,342	33,890	34,172	7,063	4,481	4,444	1,668	5,582	106,471
Pork, in cure or cured:											
Dry salt bellies	do.		452	2,989	8,195	1,036	310	676	29	259	13,946
Other dry salt pork	do.		224	3,016	3,357	1,200	135	272	2	62	8,268
Other pork cuts	do.	40	4,873	9,676	16,777	5,166	742	2,117	859	2,012	42,262
Veal, frozen	do.	723	2,673	4,223	2,269	591	259	1,607	188	789	13,322
Lamb and mutton, frozen	do.	273	1,509	1,112	1,479	148	125	859	145	1,522	7,172
Canned meats in cooler	do.	9,096	15,602	13,534	30,027	1,210	437	1,430	249	4,267	75,852
Total	do.	32,194	70,830	165,314	199,842	31,634	17,875	28,448	7,398	37,269	590,804
Hides and pelts	do.	2,721	3,737	32,312	43,376	1,774	757	4,892	1,216	3,654	94,439
Fish, frozen	do.	25,062	31,361	12,644	7,166	6,754	6,258	1,564	922 (1)	26,249	117,980

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

TABLE 12.-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1) April 1957		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			April 1952-56 av.		April 1956		March 1957		April 1957 (2)	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.	434	1,365	49	56	26	42	60	77	57	77
Massachusetts	2,433	6,124	50	76	80	67	74	58	77	53
R. I. and Connecticut	325	1,423	42	61	30	47	63	48	80	51
New England	3,192	8,912	49	70	69	61	71	59	75	57
New York	22,424	19,384	49	62	46	56	43	63	40	62
New Jersey	3,971	9,355	62	69	51	51	58	60	55	61
Pennsylvania	4,064	8,853	55	79	58	74	47	77	48	75
Middle Atlantic	30,459	37,592	52	68	49	59	45	66	43	65
Ohio	3,381	6,587	58	78	57	69	51	74	49	69
Indiana	689	1,931	66	79	69	75	68	58	73	62
Illinois	13,617	14,227	68	82	63	78	59	70	63	68
Michigan	3,866	4,362	62	77	60	62	59	67	59	66
Wisconsin	4,987	2,043	69	75	71	59	64	67	67	68
East North Central	26,540	29,150	66	80	64	72	60	69	62	68
Minnesota	1,128	4,027	80	86	83	78	69	73	64	71
Iowa	552	2,753	77	84	78	83	65	53	67	55
Missouri	4,952	8,604	71	79	65	70	59	62	55	62
Dakotas and Nebraska	928	3,877	69	77	65	70	76	85	92	86
Kansas	9,260	6,414	65	71	58	76	50	73	47	71
West North Central	16,820	25,675	70	79	64	75	55	69	54	69
Delaware, Maryland & D.C. . .	1,321	5,165	70	61	50	47	41	55	52	53
Virginia and West Va.	4,916	2,437	39	71	31	65	47	72	43	71
North and South Carolina . . .	443	553	52	83	26	77	31	55	28	57
Georgia	3,619	2,009	85	87	91	89	89	88	86	88
Florida	1,149	10,378	68	74	64	64	69	74	74	67
South Atlantic	11,448	20,542	59	72	55	63	61	70	60	66
Kentucky	951	1,171	73	75	66	68	55	74	56	72
Tennessee	1,829	3,694	72	78	75	78	68	73	72	68
Alabama and Mississippi	676	1,040	64	82	32	72	58	62	59	61
East South Central	3,456	5,905	72	78	66	75	62	71	65	67
Arkansas	256	1,273	51	69	53	54	41	35	48	29
Louisiana	952	1,343	75	73	60	71	65	77	65	74
Oklahoma	489	1,219	62	78	68	65	54	71	56	70
Texas	6,152	6,547	61	58	67	64	59	58	59	54
West South Central	7,849	10,382	63	62	66	64	59	60	59	55
Mountain	1,266	5,204	65	71	62	68	72	77	74	76
Washington	1,677	7,930	41	35	36	29	21	46	19	39
Oregon	1,121	6,286	44	29	32	19	51	40	62	33
California	10,040	19,476	49	69	41	65	56	71	51	73
Pacific	12,838	33,692	48	55	40	50	51	59	48	58
United States (3)	113,868	177,054	59	69	56	63	55	66	54	64

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held April 30, 1957.

(2) Preliminary

(3) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 13.--United States refrigerated usable piling space, October 1, 1955 ^{1/}

State or geographic region	Type of Warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.	0° F. or below	Above 0° F. to 50° F.
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	1,759	485	201	73	2/	2/	5	1,050
Massachusetts.....	9,207	2,533	898	357	302	280	24	3,935
Rhode Island & Conn.....	1,126	486	24	69	2/	2/	22	2,488
NEW ENGLAND.....	12,092	3,504	1,123	499	359	341	51	7,473
New York.....	20,398	22,728	1,882	3,859	666	3,118	104	15,320
New Jersey.....	8,614	6,356	2,451	458	2/	2/	12	2,074
Pennsylvania.....	8,649	6,218	1,185	1,541	2/	2/	283	4,882
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	37,661	35,302	5,518	5,858	1,113	4,059	399	22,276
Ohio.....	7,642	4,740	365	400	103	1,891	4	940
Indiana.....	2,157	625	318	151	305	418	2/	2/
Illinois.....	15,732	14,398	4,961	2,229	1,147	3,719	10	1,580
Michigan.....	6,069	5,175	1,139	1,325	(830	(2,105	179	8,434
Wisconsin.....	2,669	6,937	500	4,618			2/	2/
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	34,269	31,875	7,283	8,723	2,385	8,133	193	11,158
Minnesota.....	5,628	1,349	2,937	169	1,318	608	-	-
Iowa.....	4,090	908	816	436	1,895	2,208	-	-
Missouri & North Dakota.....	8,612	5,785	297	361	986	2,369	2/	2/
South Dakota & Nebraska.....	3,943	938	1,406	273	1,153	4,980	-	-
Kansas.....	5,586	9,302	731	142	654	1,852	2/	2/
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	27,859	18,282	6,187	1,381	6,006	12,017	5	607
Delaware, Maryland & D. C... Virginia and W. Virginia.... North and South Carolina.... Georgia..... Florida.....	5,956 3,124 1,289 2,387 11,502	1,077 8,132 754 4,977 1,238	418 1,064 354 118 13,555	230 855 308 135 490	2/ 26 2/ 292 -	2/ 184 2/ 627 -	- (233 - - -	880 (14,020 - - -
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	24,248	16,178	15,509	2,018	372	1,110	233	14,900
Kentucky.....	1,169	1,250	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
Tennessee.....	4,291	2,034	535	35	217	495	2/	2/
Alabama and Mississippi.....	1,233	1,157	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	6,693	4,441	650	207	265	571	2/	2/
Arkansas.....	653	277	(330	(75	2/	2/	2/	2/
Louisiana.....	2,529	928			2/	2/	-	-
Oklahoma.....	1,220	540	115	96	809	1,772	-	-
Texas.....	7,949	6,381	345	925	1,051	138	-	-
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	12,351	8,126	790	1,096	1,883	1,914	2/	2/
MOUNTAIN.....	5,083	1,580	1,143	304	416	1,279	2/	2/
Washington.....	10,119	2,289	4,385	797	272	764	671	56,189
Oregon.....	7,578	1,848	3,612	868	(277	(1,755	-	6,903
California.....	24,882	11,451	7,525	13,888			532	6,803
PACIFIC.....	42,579	15,588	15,522	15,553	549	2,519	1,203	69,895
UNITED STATES.....	202,835	134,876	53,725	35,639	13,348	31,943	2,084	127,065

^{1/} Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1955.

^{2/} Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.

TABLE 14. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			March 1956		April 1956		March 1957		April 1957	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England:										
Boston	1,695	4,710	91	66	92	63	85	57	88	55
Middle Atlantic:										
New York (3) . . .	6,081	8,560	81	67	83	65	65	66	66	66
Jersey City . . .	3,666	5,762	44	58	52	53	59	63	56	64
Buffalo (3) . . .	1,358	2,129	99	59	99	45	73	69	72	69
Rochester (3) . .	2,321	1,636	26	45	19	38	32	55	31	50
Philadelphia . . .	1,337	5,678	78	73	83	72	68	73	69	73
Pittsburgh . . .	1,488	2,113	57	77	60	79	43	80	44	78
E. N. Central:										
Cleveland	2,016	2,651	56	68	57	68	49	76	43	64
Cincinnati . . .	(6)	(6)	42	73	44	64	58	71	(6)	(6)
Chicago	10,841	13,427	61	77	65	78	57	70	63	68
Detroit	3,293	3,953	57	64	57	65	67	70	64	69
Milwaukee	313	1,559	61	83	49	70	63	76	65	76
W. N. Central:										
Minn. - St. Paul. .	791	2,912	84	84	94	85	80	76	75	75
St. Louis (4) . .	4,256	3,844	70	79	69	79	73	60	65	58
Kansas City (5) .	1,759	6,038	61	77	68	78	60	78	59	76
South Atlantic:										
Baltimore & D. C.	1,247	4,878	45	49	49	47	41	56	53	54
Richmond	940	721	62	61	56	63	62	58	60	58
Norfolk	851	773	81	90	80	93	90	91	89	84
E. S. Central:										
Nashville	969	1,749	81	90	81	90	81	87	88	85
Memphis	394	1,627	62	77	53	76	26	63	35	61
W. S. Central:										
New Orleans . . .	808	976	53	64	57	67	62	77	62	74
Dallas	3,511	3,518	68	55	68	66	62	59	62	59
Ft. Worth	876	1,229	69	62	70	55	32	51	34	34
Pacific:										
Seattle	719	1,800	42	44	63	38	34	56	26	49
Tacoma	353	1,984	9	32	9	22	6	38	5	28
Portland	338	3,541	54	33	57	21	31	42	43	33
Los Angeles . . .	1,635	4,859	56	75	56	77	83	85	79	85
San Francisco . .	2,021	3,263	43	67	42	68	61	63	53	65
San Jose	2,033	3,667	21	45	14	51	22	71	22	75
Modesto	784	2,522	52	59	39	58	43	51	41	61

(1) Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.

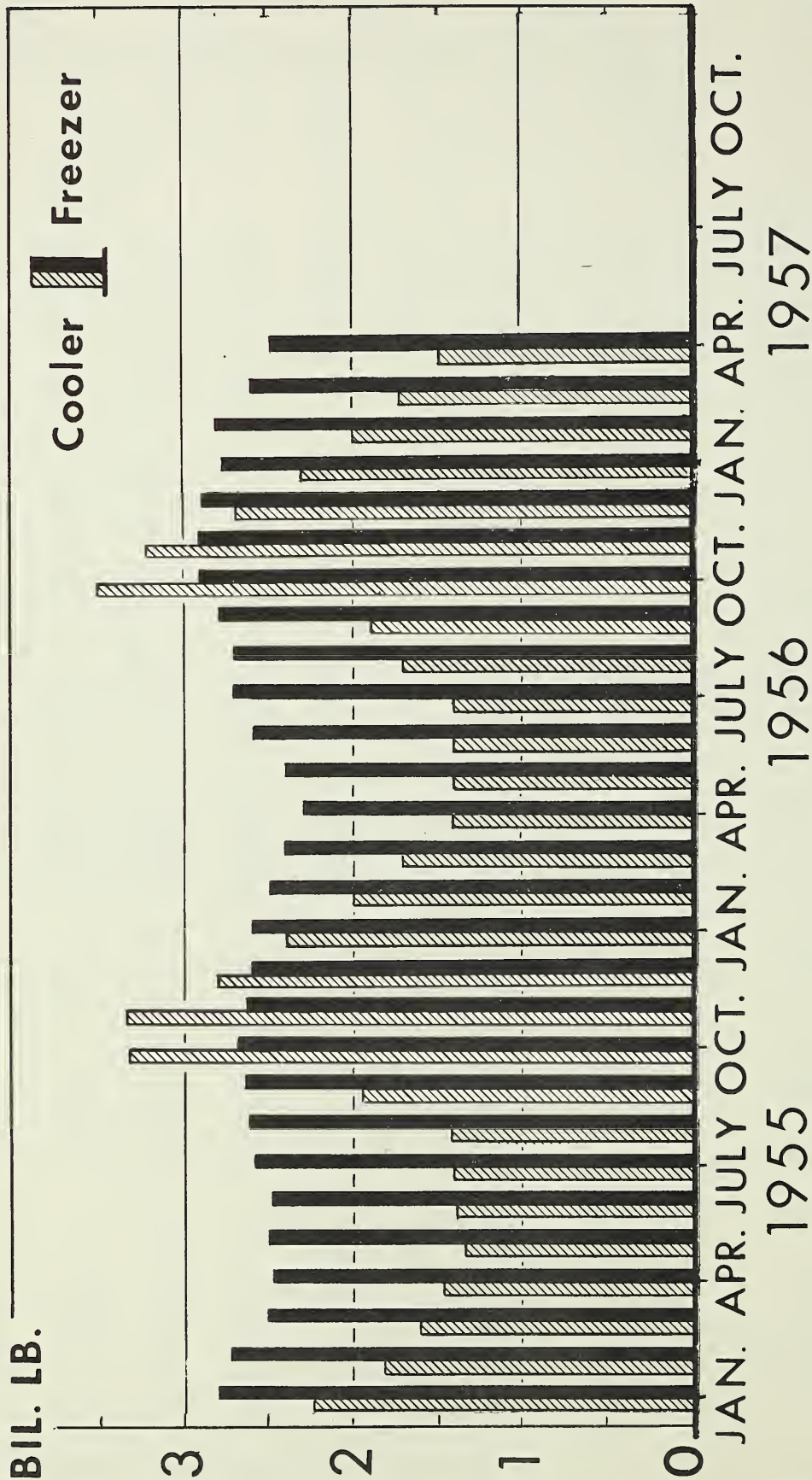
(2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held April 30, 1957.

(3) Standard Metropolitan area only.

(4) Includes East St. Louis, Illinois.

(5) Missouri and Kansas. (6) Insufficient returns received from this city.

NET WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES



Meat and meat products

Beef holdings at 155 million pounds on April 30 were down 24 million pounds from a month ago. This decline was 7 million pounds greater than the net change of April last year and average. Total pork stocks had declined to 339 million pounds on April 30. The net change of 14 million pounds from a month earlier is 10 million pounds greater than the comparable change last year and 7 million pounds more than average. Stocks of picnics and hams were down 7 and 3 percent, respectively, but holdings of frozen pork bellies were increased slightly.

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